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WINCHESTER

City urged to adopt stricter dog laws



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Tracy Miller, president of Speak Out and Rescue (SOAR), presents a slide show to the Winchester Board of Commissioners of abused or neglected animals in Winchester that volunteers of the organization have seen.

By Katie Perkowski
The Winchester Sun

After receiving “many calls” about abused animals in Winchester, representatives from a non-profit group that helps abused or neglected animals asked the Winchester Board of Commissioners Tuesday to consider an ordinance they believe would reduce the problem.

Tracy Miller, president of Speak Out and Rescue, said SOAR volunteers have found dogs chained to trees, barrels and vehicles in Winchester.

“Most have no food, water or proper shelter,” she said while giving a slide show presentation of abused animals found in the city. “Our group urges you to take

this problem seriously, and we ask you to pass an effective dog ordinance for Winchester, one that will prevent lifetime chaining, set space requirements and establish minimum standards for care.”

The model ordinance that SOAR representatives gave to commissioners would make it illegal to abuse an animal; fail to provide adequate food, water, shelter, shade or veterinary care; and to keep dogs in excessively muddy, unsanitary or unsafe areas. Under the model ordinance, those in violation would be fined between \$100 and \$500 or be jailed.

The reason the ordinance is so specific, said SOAR volunteer Marianne Fox, is “so that animal control people can be really

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EDUCATION

Weather provides boost to building projects

By Bob Flynn
The Winchester Sun

The mild early spring weather in Clark County has been a welcome sight for contractors working on the two new projects for the Clark County Public Schools.

Architect Mike Smith, of Sherman-Carter-Barnhart PSC, told school board members at their monthly meeting Tuesday that, because of the good weather, construction on the new elementary school is on schedule.

“The weather has really cooperated with us thus far,” Smith said. “Construction is about 9 to 10 percent along, and remains on schedule and on budget at this time.”

Workers have completed site preparation and began construction of the building pad for the school, Smith said. Underground storm piping has been completed and work has begun on the installation of underground plumbing, and the concrete for the first footer was poured Tuesday.

Smith praised contractor Codell Construction for the steps the company has taken to ensure the safety of the students from nearby Central Elementary and Conkwright Middle School. Fencing at the construction site allows foot traffic to safely access the athletic fields behind the site, he said.

After Smith’s presentation, the board approved granting permission for Sherman-Carter-Barnhart and

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Opening of farmers market a great way to boost your daily intake of fresh fruits and vegetables.

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Paying respects

By Rachel Parsons
The Winchester Sun

Eighteen pinwheels lined the courthouse lawn Tuesday morning — one pinwheel for each child that died from child abuse or neglect in Kentucky in the past 12 months.

“It may come as a surprise how many children are affected by abuse,” said Julie Ferrell, Family Services Office supervisor for the Kentucky Cabinet for Health and Family Services.

Ferrell served as program speaker for the annual child abuse memorial service, sponsored each year by the Clark County Family Resource and Youth Services Centers in honor of National Child Abuse Prevention Month.

According to Ferrell, there are 400 reports of abuse and neglect in Clark County each year.

“My job is to protect children and assist families in creating and maintaining a safe and nurturing environment,” Ferrell said.

Community members can make that job

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State official offers grim Clark County abuse statistic at rally to honor children who died



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Julie Ferrell, family services office supervisor, Kentucky Cabinet for Health and Family Services, was the guest speaker Tuesday for the annual Clark County Child Abuse Memorial Service in front of the Clark County Courthouse. Listening behind Ferrell are, from left, City Commissioner Rick Beach, Clark County Coroner Robert Gayheart and deputy Clark County Judge-Executive Liz Elswick.



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One-year-old Jauntele Chenault was captivated by a pinwheel during the service, above. She is being held by her grandmother, Mary Miller. At right, Zy’Anne Strode reads a poem by Flora Montgomery, “No Child in Fear.”



Police/fire

CLARK COUNTY SHERIFF

Charged

— At 12:40 p.m. Saturday, Brenda K. Davis of 1009 Sewell Shop Road reported that someone broke into her home and took jewelry, cash and two purses.

WINCHESTER POLICE

Charged

— Kelly Hopkins, 23, of 608 College St., was charged Tuesday with public intoxication and second-degree possession of a controlled substance.
— Anthony Hoy, 28, of 146 Linden Ave., was charged Tuesday with careless

driving, driving under the influence and driving on a suspended operator's license.

Reports

— At 7:52 a.m. Tuesday, officers were called to 26 E. Washington St. after someone broke a window.
— At 1:43 p.m. Tuesday, a man reported that a loaded 16-foot trailer was stolen from A Street.
— At 6:03 p.m. Tuesday, officers were called to 16 Denny Ave. after someone broke into the residence and took a Play Station 3 and a Wii.
— At 6:14 p.m. Tuesday, officers were called to 224 Jackson St. after someone took a washer, a dryer and a DVD player.

— At 6:55 a.m. today, officers were called to 30 Beckner St. after three windows were shot with a BB gun.

WINCHESTER FIRE-EMS

— On Tuesday, emergency personnel conducted two local transfers. They also responded to two cardiac cases, five general medical calls, one assault, three motor vehicle accidents, one overdose, three respiratory cases and three falls.

CLARK COUNTY FIRE

— At 3:36 p.m. Tuesday, firefighters responded to an injury accident on Ecton Road.

Local briefs

County budget workshop tonight

The Clark County Fiscal Court will have a budget workshop today at 6 p.m. in the courthouse.

WMU Commission meeting Thursday

The Winchester Municipal Utilities Commission will have a meeting at 5:30 p.m. Thursday at the WMU office, 150 N. Main St.

Thursday hydrant flushing schedule

Winchester Municipal utilities will be performing hydrant flow tests at the following locations Thursday, April 19:

- Allan Place
- Corley Lane
- Dixiana Drive
- Greenway Drive
- Iron Works Road
- Jameson Way
- Leslie Drive
- Mary Way
- Old Iron Works Road
- Ryans Mill Road
- Sarah Court
- Shannon Court
- Vanover Way

Shearer council candidate interviews

The Shearer Elementary School-based Decision-making Council will inter-

view principal candidates today at 4 p.m.

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State briefs

House committee OKs transportation budget

FRANKFORT (AP) — A \$4.5 billion transportation budget that would widen interstate highways, expand airports and dredge river ports over the next two years passed a legislative committee Tuesday and will advance to the House floor for a planned vote the next day.
The House Appropriations and Revenue Committee approved the measure 25-2 on the second day of a special legislative session that Gov. Steve Beshear called because lawmakers didn't pass the measure in the regular session that ended last week.
"It is just absolutely critical that we pass this bill," said Rep. Rick Rand, chairman of the House budget committee. "These are projects in every district and in every corner of this state. They create jobs, help with economic development, as well as the safety and maintenance of our road system."

The bill also appropriates funding for the state's single largest project: \$2.6 billion for two bridges across the Ohio River in Louisville. It also includes \$200 million to widen the heavily traveled Interstate 65, where numerous fatal traffic crashes have occurred in recent years. A crash on a rural stretch of the highway near Munfordville in 2010 killed 11 people, 10 of them members of a Mennonite family.

Stan Lampe, president of Kentuckians for Better Transportation, heralded the highway appropriations bill as a measure that will improve all modes of travel in the state.

Prescription abuse bill clears House committee

FRANKFORT (AP) — Unscrupulous doctors who overprescribe painkillers that are being widely abused in Kentucky could be more quickly identified and prosecuted under a bill approved by the House Judiciary Committee

on Tuesday.

House Speaker Greg Stumbo, the Prestonsburg Democrat who sponsored the legislation, said the changes are crucial in Kentucky, where nearly 1,000 people are dying from drug overdoses each year.

"I can promise you this is a problem that affects every part of the state," Stumbo told fellow lawmakers.

The measure passed the Judiciary Committee 12-0. Three lawmakers opted not to vote.

The measure would require all physicians to tap into the state's prescription monitoring system to determine if patients seeking painkillers or anti-anxiety drugs have recently gotten similar medications from other doctors. Investigators from the attorney general's office also would monitor the prescribing practices of doctors, allowing quick investigations into questionable behavior.

The Kentucky Medical Association opposed the measure, citing the "broad and

overarching authority" given to the attorney general to gain access to what members believe should be private medical information.

End date pushed back to destroy chemical weapons

LOUISVILLE (AP) — Work to destroy the U.S. Army's remaining stockpiles of chemical weapons in Kentucky and Colorado may take longer and cost about \$2.5 billion extra, Defense Department officials said Tuesday.

The latest projection added two years to the estimated schedule to finish each job and was described by one watchdog group as a "worst case" estimate. It also raised the total possible cost for the two projects to \$10.6 billion, compared to \$8 billion previously.

Under the revised timeline, work to destroy chemical weapons at Pueblo Chemical Depot in Colorado might take until 2019.

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Thu 4/19	Fri 4/20	Sat 4/21	Sun 4/22	Mon 4/23
71/47	77/54	77/52	59/45	58/36
Intervals of clouds and sunshine. High 71F. Winds ENE at 5 to 10 mph.	Sunshine. Highs in the upper 70s and lows in the mid 50s.	Mix of sun and clouds. Highs in the upper 70s and lows in the low 50s.	Showers, maybe a rumble of thunder.	Occasional showers possible. Highs in the upper 50s and lows in the mid 30s.
Sunrise 6:56 AM Sunset 8:16 PM	Sunrise 6:55 AM Sunset 8:17 PM	Sunrise 6:54 AM Sunset 8:18 PM	Sunrise 6:52 AM Sunset 8:19 PM	Sunrise 6:51 AM Sunset 8:20 PM

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City	Hi	Lo	Cond.	City	Hi	Lo	Cond.	City	Hi	Lo	Cond.
Ashland	69	43	pt sunny	Glasgow	74	48	mst sunny	Murray	76	50	sunny
Bowling Green	75	48	sunny	Hopkinsville	75	48	sunny	Nashville, TN	75	48	sunny
Cincinnati, OH	72	46	mst sunny	Knoxville, TN	70	48	rain	Owensboro	75	49	sunny
Corbin	69	44	rain	Lexington	71	46	mst sunny	Paducah	75	48	sunny
Covington	72	48	mst sunny	Louisville	75	51	mst sunny	Pikeville	68	49	rain
Cynthiana	72	45	mst sunny	Madisonville	76	49	mst sunny	Prestonsburg	66	44	rain
Danville	70	46	pt sunny	Mayfield	77	49	sunny	Richmond	70	47	pt sunny
Elizabethtown	73	48	mst sunny	Middlesboro	69	46	rain	Russell Springs	71	45	pt sunny
Evansville, IN	75	47	mst sunny	Morehead	68	44	pt sunny	Somerses	70	44	rain
Frankfort	71	45	mst sunny	Mount Vernon	69	45	rain	Winchester	71	47	pt sunny

National Cities

City	Hi	Lo	Cond.	City	Hi	Lo	Cond.	City	Hi	Lo	Cond.
Atlanta	70	53	rain	Houston	81	59	sunny	Phoenix	91	63	sunny
Boston	62	43	mst sunny	Los Angeles	75	56	mst sunny	San Francisco	66	53	pt sunny
Chicago	71	52	rain	Miami	84	72	mst sunny	Seattle	53	41	rain
Dallas	79	55	sunny	Minneapolis	60	43	rain	St. Louis	76	54	sunny
Denver	72	46	pt sunny	New York	62	49	pt sunny	Washington, DC	59	51	rain

Moon Phases

Last Apr 13	New Apr 21	First Apr 29	Full May 6

UV Index

Thu 4/19	Fri 4/20	Sat 4/21	Sun 4/22	Mon 4/23
8	8	8	5	8
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Lunch corner

Here's what local schools are serving Thursday, April 19

Elementary schools

Breakfast
Choice of scrambled eggs, cereal, yogurt, toast, fruit, juice and milk.

Lunch
Choice of spaghetti with meat sauce, peanut butter and jelly sandwich, grilled cheese sandwich, chef salad, steamed broccoli with cheese sauce, garden salad with dressing, garlic Texas toast, fruit and milk.

Middle schools

Breakfast
Choice of scrambled eggs, cereal, yogurt, toast, fruit, juice and milk.

Lunch
Choice of spaghetti with meat sauce, chicken parmesan with pasta, sack lunch, soup and sandwich, taco salad, steamed Italian vegetables, garden salad, garlic bread, fruit and milk.

High school

Breakfast
Choice of breakfast bagel sandwich, sausage biscuit, peanut butter and jelly, breakfast pastry or muffin, cereal, toast, juice or fruit.

Lunch
Country Kitchen: soup of the day, peanut butter sandwich, grilled cheese.
Salad and More: Salad choice, soup and sensational sandwich, yogurt and muffin with fruit.
Pizza line: pizza choice.
Hot Zone: cheese-burger, chili cheese hot dog, french fries, vegetable of the day.
Chicken and More: Breaded chicken sandwich, cheeseburger, french fries, vegetable of the day.

Kentucky Lottery

These Kentucky lotteries were drawn Tuesday:
5 Card Cash
AC-AD-KS-2C-6S
Cash Ball
04-16-22-33, Cash Ball: 12, Kicker: 6-5-9-7-4
Mega Millions
01-16-24-32-48, Mega Ball: 2
Megaplier: 4
Pick 3 Evening: 1-2-3
Pick 3 Midday: 5-4-0
Pick 4 Evening: 5-3-0-6
Pick 4 Midday: 5-8-7-0 — AP

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Forest Service in quandary about Colorado frozen cows

DENVER (AP) — It may take explosives to dislodge a group of cows that wandered into an old ranger cabin high in the Rocky Mountains, then died and froze solid when they couldn't get out.

The carcasses were discovered by two Air Force Academy cadets when they snow-shoed up to the cabin in late March.

Rangers believe the animals sought shelter during a snowstorm and got stuck and weren't smart enough to find their way out.

The cabin is located near the Conundrum Hot Springs, a nine-mile hike from the Aspen area in the Maroon Bells-Snowmass Wilderness area.

Michael Carroll, a spokesman for the Wilderness Society in Colorado, said cattle are often allowed to wander on federal wilderness lands as long as ranchers get a permit from the Forest Service, and sometimes the animals get separated from the herd.

The Forest Service said Tuesday the

animals came from a herd of 29 cows that went missing last fall from the nearby Gunnison National Forest where the rancher had a permit. An aerial search failed to turn up any sign of the animals.

Forest Service spokesman Brian Porter said rangers saw about six cows inside the cabin, and several dead cows lying around the building.

"There is a lot of snow, and it's hard to determine how many cows are there," Porter said.

U.S. Forest Service spokesman Steve Segin said Tuesday they need to decide quickly how to get rid of the carcasses.

"Obviously, time is of the essence because we don't want them defrosting," Segin said.

Segin said officials are concerned about water contamination in the nearby hot springs if the cows start decomposing during the thaw.

The options: use explosives to break up the cows, burn down the cabin, or

using a helicopters or trucks to haul out the carcasses.

But Segin said using helicopters is too expensive and rangers are worried about using trucks in a wilderness area, where the government bars permanent improvements and tries to preserve the natural habitat.

Carroll praised the Forest Service for trying to remove the animals while doing the least damage. He said burning down the cabin or packing out the carcasses are probably the best solutions.

"They need to use the minimal tool to get the job done. They don't want to leave the land scarred," he said.

Segin said the Forest Service occasionally uses explosives to destroy carcasses of animals that can't be retrieved.

"We've used them as a means of disposal to remove dead horses, elk and other animals in areas where it's impossible to get them out," he said.

DOG

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effective."

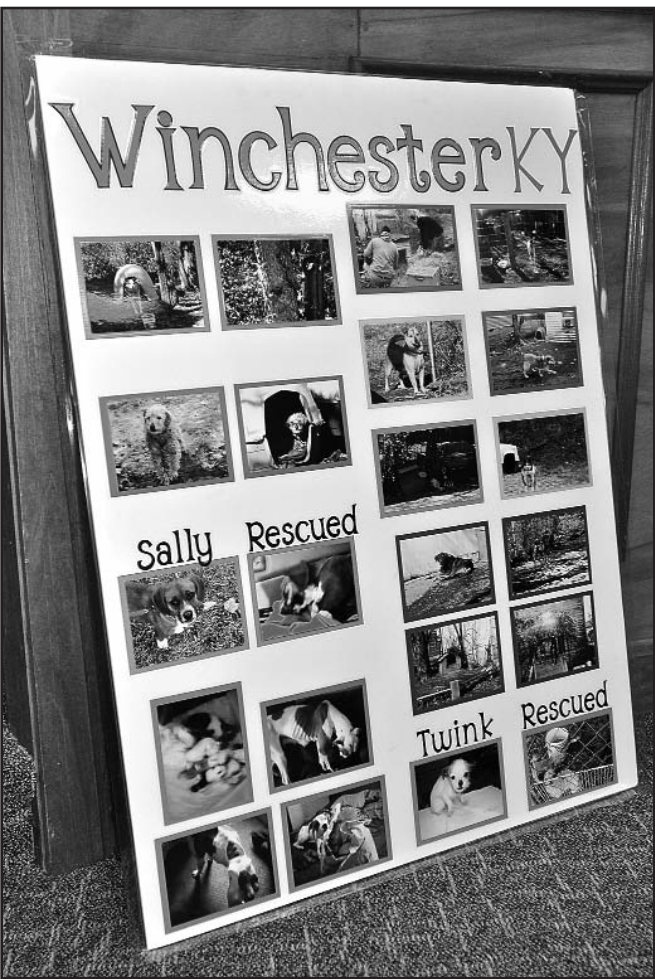
Mayor Ed Burtner said commissioners would take the model ordinance under advisement, and he suggested that the SOAR volunteers also approach the Clark County Fiscal Court about the issue.

The animal shelter and the dog warden are overseen by the county.

Often, Miller said, when SOAR members are called to a particular street because of an animal abuse report, they end up staying all day because they find other abuse cases.

"What happens usually is we get a call and we'll go to one street, I'll give you an example — Lincoln Street — and we're there all day. Just every house practically has chained dogs," she said. "It's pitiful, and so when we come to Winchester we plan on staying all day."

Other areas that SOAR volunteers get a lot of calls from are Buckner and Flanagan streets, Miller said. SOAR volunteers offer to build fences for the dogs for free, but "most of the time people just don't want our help," she said.



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This posterboard is one of several that SOAR volunteers brought for a presentation they gave to the Winchester Board of Commissioners Tuesday. On it are pictures of dogs volunteers have found abused in Winchester, including two that were rescued.

If volunteers have an available foster home and know they can place the animal,

were present for the meeting, including Connie Day, a Clark County resident.

"I have personally called SOAR before because I've watched a dog die on a chain from my office window," she said. "So I called the county shelter and they told me they didn't have time."

"I also picked up a box of kittens before that somebody threw out on the side of the road, and the shelter again said, 'We don't have time to deal with this,' so I picked them up and drove them to the shelter."

Beth Bowman, director of the Clark County Animal Shelter, was not available for comment this morning.

According to its website, the shelter accepts "all strays and unwanted animals in our county," and performs all neglect and abuse investigations. It also states that the shelter is not a rescue facility.

Miller said SOAR does not advocate letting an animal run loose.

"Being on a chain is OK, but living on a chain is not," said volunteer Debbie Wimsatt.

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RALLY

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easier, Ferrell said, by volunteering for the local foster care review board, becoming foster parents or volunteering in schools.

Currently, there are more children from Clark County in need of foster homes than there are foster parents.

Brenda Marstella spoke about her experiences as a therapeutic foster parent, "to be the voice of many."

"There are silent cries coming from the inside that our ears have to be tuned to hear," Marstella said. "Silence is loud if you choose to listen."

"You've got to listen with your heart. Sometimes, they don't know how to tell you what's wrong."

Local students were involved in the program, reading poetry, including "No Child in Fear" by local writer Flora Montgomery, and performing a step routine.

Anyila Chenault recounted the history of the Blue Ribbon Campaign, part of Child Abuse Prevention Month.

The campaign began in 1989 thanks to the efforts of Bonnie Finney, after her 3-year-old grandson was killed by his mother's abusive boyfriend.

"Every child has a right to be safe, healthy and not be abused," Chenault said.

Clark County Judge-Executive Henry Branham and Winchester City Commissioner Rick Beach read a proclamation declaring April Child Abuse Prevention Month in Winchester and Clark County.

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WEATHER

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Codell Construction to advertise and bid the remaining bid packages for both the new elementary school and Conkwright Middle School renovation projects.

District Administrator Paul Christy said the bid packages should be completed and advertised by the end of May or beginning of June, with the bids coming in for board approval by the end of June. That would allow the district's financial agents to come to the board with the final financing package for the projects at its July meeting.

In other business the board:

- approved the 2012-2013 school council staffing allocations and budgets that are required to be completed by May 1 each year. The staffing allocations are based on projected 2012-2013 enrollment numbers at the schools. Based on those enrollment numbers, four elementary schools — Fannie Bush, Hannah McClure, Providence and Shearer — will each lose one certified staff position. Conkwright Middle School also will lose one certified position, while Clark Middle School will gain one position. George Rogers Clark High School staffing remains the same as last year.
- heard a report from Superintendent Elaine Farris on the progress of preparation for the district's Summer Learning Academy. Parents of more than 100 students each at the elementary, middle and high school levels have been sent letters asking that their children attend the summer school session. This year the program will focus on math and literacy instruction.
- heard a report on the district's eighth-month attendance figures. Hannah McClure had the highest attendance for the month. The district has had an attendance challenge between the schools to try to increase daily attendance figures this

year. Districts receive SEEK funding each year based on their average daily attendance. Based on last year's SEEK amount, a 1 percent attendance increase in the district would mean an additional \$500,000 in SEEK funding.

— approved a \$1,000 donation from the board's activities fund for George Rogers Clark High School's Project Graduation. The board has made the same donation in previous years.

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Education and activism — a fine line

CHICAGO — We are now a nation of activists living in a “movement” society. If something upsets enough of us, we try to get the situation rectified through online or actual take-to-the-streets protests.

Is it any wonder that the new Occupy-anything-you-can-think-of ethos has made its way into public school classrooms?

Last week, Brooke Harris, an English and journalism teacher at a Pontiac, Mich., charter school, said she'd been wrongly fired for encouraging her students to organize a fundraiser for Trayvon Martin, the hoodie-wearing Florida teen who was shot while making his way home from a convenience store.

Harris told The Detroit Free Press that her students wanted to donate to the Martin family the proceeds from a day when students would pay to wear hoodies to school, with the hoods covering their heads, in order to show solidarity with the slain teen.

She had gotten permission for the fundraiser from her principal but the superintendent, Jacqueline Cassell, forbade Harris from moving forward because students flouting the no-head-coverings policy would disrupt the entire school. Cassell told the Free Press that though she objected to the fundraiser, “I certainly would not use this issue as a reason to terminate anybody.”

But Harris claims this is exactly what happened. “I was told I was a bad teacher, that I was being unprofessional,” Harris said, “that I’m being paid to teach, not to be an activist.”

OK. Raise your hand if you believe wholeheartedly that public school teachers are employed by taxpayers to educate students in the academic subjects required for high school graduation — and not to feed students their personal political or social-issue opinions and encourage protests.

The problem is that it can be tough to spot a difference between a teacher who appropriately supports student efforts to exercise citizenship responsibilities taught in civics classes from one who serves as the impetus for an act of advocacy.

And it's not like teacher preparation programs routinely train new educators on how to teach critical thinking by addressing controversial current events and other touchy topics relevant to academic subject matter, with unbiased facts that present all sides of an argument. Such guidance usually isn't a staple of teacher orientation at schools, either.

Given that, for the most part, teachers mold young minds behind closed doors, you have to wonder how any lesson can be slanted when presented by an activist teacher who feels it is part of his or her mission as an educator to pass their politics on to students.

Yes, I said “activist” teachers. They believe that part of their job involves teaching students about the injustices of the world and how to challenge them — which is fine, I suppose, if you happen to see eye-to-eye and heart-to-heart with a teacher's social and political beliefs.

Go ahead, residents of New York City, Milwaukee, Chicago, San Francisco, Boston and Atlanta, check out www.teacheractivistgroups.org and learn the missions of organizations such as “Teachers 4 Social Justice,” “The Education for Liberation Network,” and the “Collective of Radical Educators.” All perfectly lovely organizations, I'm sure, if you don't mind a little anarchy with your algebra.

I called Kyle Olson, the founder of the reform organization Education Action Group, which routinely details examples of teachers who preach pro-union, anti-establishment political beliefs in their classrooms, and the author of “Indoctrination: How ‘Useful Idiots’ Are Using Our Schools to Subvert American Exceptionalism.” He offered an effective, nonpartisan tip for how all parents can navigate school situations that sometimes send kids home saying the darnedest things.

“Parents need to be engaged in the learning process,” Olson said. “They need to ask their kids: ‘What happened at school today?’ ‘What's your homework?’ ‘What videos did you watch today?’ If you're concerned, you need to find out more — nothing will change until parents complain.”

That works for teachers as well. Protesters are demanding Harris' reinstatement and have staged a rally for her. If she wasn't out of line and was wrongly terminated for merely enabling her pupils to support a cause that they believed in, her students' families are correct to exercise their right to complain online and on the streets to anyone who will listen. Advocacy for your children is a lesson more parents need to put into practice.

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Esther Cepeda



What was the GSA's Jeffrey Neely thinking?

WASHINGTON — You knew government bureaucrats were living large when they hired a medium.

And this mind reader who helped government workers communicate with the dead was just the beginning of the scandal involving the General Services Administration's \$823,000 spending spree in Las Vegas.

There was also the \$75,000 bicycle-building exercise, the clown show, 1,000 sushi rolls at \$7 a pop, \$6,325 spent on commemorative coins, \$8,130 for souvenir books and 300 helpings of “Boursin Scaloped Potato with Barolo Wine Braised Short Ribs” at \$5 each.

The official responsible for the 2010 soiree — Jeffrey Neely — said he wanted his conference to be “over the top.” By all accounts, he achieved his goal — and now the party's over.

Neely was hauled before the House Oversight and Government Reform Committee on Monday afternoon for the first of several congressional hearings about the GSA scandal. He listened as lawmakers and former colleagues denounced his activities — and then answered by taking the Fifth.

“Mr. Neely, what is your title at GSA?” asked Chairman Darrell Issa, R-Calif.

Neely, who had demanded “theatrical talent” at his conference, got to demonstrate his own. “Mr. Chairman, on the advice of counsel, I respectfully decline to answer based upon my Fifth Amendment constitutional privilege.”

“Mr. Neely, did you attend the 2010 Western Regional Conference in Las Vegas?”



Dana Milbank

“Mr. Chairman, on the advice of counsel, I respectfully decline to answer based upon my Fifth Amendment constitutional privilege,” repeated the witness.

Issa continued to press, assuring Neely “just a few more” questions, as though he were a dentist completing drilling on a patient. He finally excused the witness and asked him to “remain for the remainder of the hearing” in a back room. But Neely had no interest.

Instead, the witness slipped out a back door, and reporters and camera crews gave chase. A CBS soundman, tangled in wires, fell and was taken to a hospital with a head injury. Fox News' Chad Pergram and other reporters followed Neely into an elevator and, ignoring his lawyer's demands that they disperse, continued to pepper him with questions. Among them: “Will you apologize?”

“No comment” was all Neely said.

He had rather more to say when planning the conference. According to emails discussed at the hearing, Neely had offered to pay for personal friends to come have a “blast” on the government's dime. “I know. I am bad,” he wrote. “But as Deb (his wife) and I say often, why not enjoy it while we have it and while we can. Ain't going to last forever.”

He had that right. “Well, Mr. Neely, it stops now,” thundered Rep. Elijah Cummings of Maryland, the committee's ranking Democrat, who was particularly offended that Neely's wife, a private citizen, “ordered thousands of dollars' worth of food at taxpayer expense.”

Committee Democrats and GSA officials portrayed Neely as a bad apple (albeit one who received a \$9,000 bonus after his conference contretemps).

Meanwhile, Republicans labored to turn what happened in Vegas into an administration-wide scandal. They distributed

documents with titles such as “GSA spending skyrockets under Obama administration” and GSA “convention spending soars under Democrat control.”

“As I look through this, there's no wonder that the American people have lost faith in their government,” harrumphed Pennsylvania Rep. Mike Kelly.

“I want indictments!” bellowed Rep. Trey Gowdy of South Carolina. With a preacher's fervor, he compared the bureaucrats unfavorably with their biblical forbears. “The tribes of Israel sent 12 scouts into the Promised Land before they decided to invade, and GSA has to send 15 to Las Vegas to check out a hotel? Do you not see the outrage?”

This outrage was undercut by a fellow Republican, Rep. James Lankford of Oklahoma, who argued that “there was something that was happening that was very unique” at the Las Vegas event.

Indeed, it is not every government event where the “artisanal cheese” is \$19 per person and the commemorative coins cost \$20 apiece. Or where they make a rap video joking about what their congressional overseers would have to say about their excess (the rapper, summoned before the committee, apologized profusely).

Why did they do this? Neely, who once boasted that he “wanted to make a statement” with his soiree, wasn't talking. And none of his GSA colleagues wished to speak for him.

“I have no idea what Mr. Neely was thinking,” said one witness.

“I don't know what Mr. Neely was thinking,” said another.

“I do not know what he was thinking,” said a third.

Maybe they should hire a mind reader.

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GUEST EDITORIAL

Bridge projects must move forward

The two-part, \$10 billion, six-year road plan approved by the General Assembly calls for \$2.6 billion to be spent on two bridges across the Ohio River in Louisville. Those are two bridges that nearly everyone agrees are absolutely essential and should no longer be delayed.

However, the Louisville projects are not the only extremely costly bridge projects Kentucky is facing. Yet to be funded is the replacement of the aging Brent Spence Bridge that carries Interstate 75 traffic over the Ohio River between Cincinnati and Covington. That project is expected to cost a whopping \$2.4 billion.

Ohio will share the cost of the Cincinnati project while Indiana will share the cost in Louisville.

While we live many miles from either Louisville or Cincinnati, we consider

both projects of equal importance not only to Louisville and northern Kentucky but to the entire state.

Much of the commercial and personal traffic that travels through this community also goes through either Louisville or Cincinnati and many of us have used the bridges that will be replaced in the two metropolitan areas many times.

While the \$10 billion road plan the General Assembly has approved calls for design work on the two Louisville bridges during the next two years, legislators have yet to approve funding for that work.

That's a major reason the General Assembly will be meeting in a special session.

However, work on replacing the Brent Spence bridge is not included in the six-year plan. Planners are still considering three plans for the new bridge, which

will be built just west of the one it will replace.

The project is eight years into the planning stage and still at least three years away from the beginning of construction. ...

The estimated \$2.48 billion price tag for the entire project includes the interstate overhaul in both states, work planned for the existing bridge and construction of a new bridge.

It likely will be at least 10 years before the Brent Spence bridge is replaced and combined with the bridges in Louisville, the total cost is likely to be more than \$5 billion.

Costly? You bet. Essential? Absolutely. The question is not if the project will be funded, but how.

**The Independent,
Ashland, April 16**

Community Calendar TODAY

— Free AARP tax preparation, Central Baptist Church Annex, 10 a.m.-3 p.m.

— Clark County Human Services Council meeting, Arby's, noon. Representatives from all human services agencies serving Clark County are invited.

— Winchester-Clark County Parks and Recreation swimming clinic, 6:45-8 p.m., every Monday and Wednesday through May 16, for all age groups and abilities. Call 744-9554 for more information.

— Diabetes support group meeting, "On the Road to Better Managing Your Diabetes," 6 p.m., Clark County Extension Office, 1400 Fortune Drive.

THURSDAY, APRIL 19

— Clark County 4-H Council meeting, 6:30 p.m. at the Extension Office, 1400 Fortune Drive, Winchester.

— Clark County Friends of the Library meeting, 7-8 p.m., 370 S. Burns Ave. Call Al Bonds at 737-0777 for more information.

— Conkwright Middle School-based Decision-making Council meeting, 4:15 p.m., in the school library.

— George Rogers Clark High School-based Decision-making Council meeting, 4:30 p.m., school library.

— Parent nominations for the 2012-2013 Clark Middle School-based Decision-making Council due today. Parent elections will be Wednesday, April 25, from 4 to 6 p.m.

FRIDAY, APRIL 20

— Winchester Rotary Club meeting, noon, Winchester Country Club.

SATURDAY, APRIL 21

— Winchester-Clark County Famers Market open, 8 a.m.-noon, Bluegrass Heritage Museum parking lot, South Main Street.

MONDAY, APRIL 23

— Winchester-Clark County Parks and Recreation swimming clinic, 6:45-8 p.m., every Monday and Wednesday through May 16, for all age groups and abilities. Call 744-9554 for more information.

TUESDAY, APRIL 24

— Celebrate Recovery, 7 p.m., Calvary Christian Church, 15 Redwing Drive, entrance C. A program based on the 12 steps and the eight Beatitudes for any hurt, habit or hang-up with support for family members, as well as Celebration Station for kids and The Landing for teens. For more information, call Dickie at 744-0817. Meetings are every Tuesday.

— Shearer Elementary School-based Decision-making Council meeting, 4 p.m., in the school conference room.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 25

— Winchester-Clark County Parks and Recreation swimming clinic, 6:45-8 p.m., every Monday and Wednesday through May 16, for all age groups and abilities. Call 744-9554 for more information.

J E N N I F E R ' S J O U R N A L

Get your fruit and vegetables

Opening of farmers market great way to boost diet

As we head into the spring and summer seasons when fresh fruits and vegetables are more readily available, here are a few suggestions for getting "five-a-day:"

— Keep fruit handy in a bowl on the kitchen counter or at your desk at work. This makes it easy to eat as a snack.

— Make it a habit to eat at least two vegetables at lunch and dinner.

— If you find that your fresh fruits and vegetables spoil before you can get them all eaten, try buying frozen varieties.

— At breakfast, add a half-cup of fruit to a container of yogurt or add peppers, broccoli, mushrooms or tomatoes to your scrambled eggs.

— For lunch, buy a bag of shredded coleslaw mix and add a light dressing for a quick salad.

— For dinner, make your salad with romaine lettuce or spinach in place of iceberg, which is one of the

least nutritious leafy green vegetables.

— Cook one dish meals that combine meat with several vegetables.

— For dessert, try fresh or canned fruit or replace half the butter in quick breads or cakes with unsweetened applesauce to add fiber and sweetness with few calories.

This weekend is a great opportunity to begin adding those fruits and vegetables to your diet. The Winchester/Clark County Farmers Market is opening Saturday! Join us for a morning full of activities at our new location next to the Bluegrass Heritage Museum.

In conjunction with Earth Day, the Kentucky Mountain Trio from McCreary County will be performing at the Farmers Market. You will also find bedding plants, baked goods, potted herbs, annuals, hanging baskets, fresh eggs, jams and jellies and fresh vegetables. A new season, a



Jennifer Howard



new location starting at 8 a.m. Hope to see you there!

Don't forget to visit us on the web for the Taste of the Month recipe. The website is <http://ces.ca.uky.edu/clark>, and look

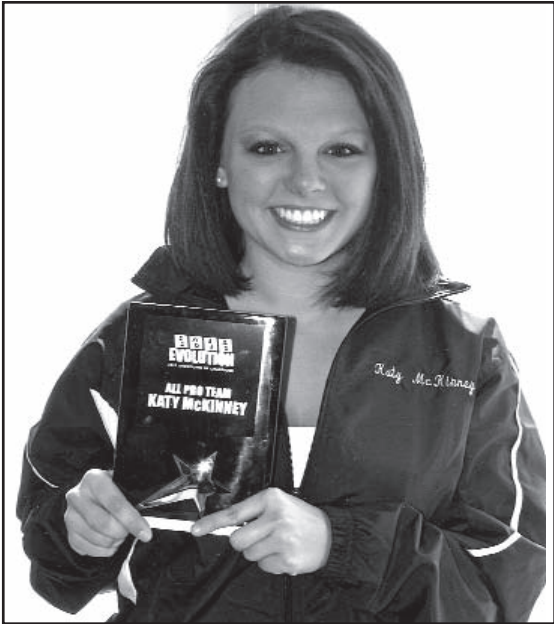
for the Taste of the Month link. This week features Brussels sprouts.

Jennifer Howard is the Clark County Extension Service agent for family and consumer sciences.

All-Pro dancer

Katy McKinney, daughter of Greg and Diane McKinney, was recently named to the All-Pro Team at the Clogging Champions of America Showdown of Champions in Knoxville, Tenn. This designation is given to the top 16 dancers in the CCA for their performance in the previous year as determined by CCA board members, judges and staff. This is McKinney's second consecutive year being named to the All-Pro Team. McKinney dances for Taps in Motion in Owingsville under the direction of Jamie Vincent.

Photo submitted



NARFE meeting focused on safety

Chapter 1828 of the National Active and Retired Federal Employees Association met for its regular monthly business meeting at noon Tuesday, March 27, at Taste of China.

Maj. Robert D. Carmichael, fire marshal for Winchester Fire-EMS, was the guest speaker and presented a program on fire safety.

Present for the meeting were Gayle Rees, Charlotte Rees, Elizabeth Bunch, Pat Gibbs, Linda Toler, Jean Brandenburg, Billie Scrivner, Lila Omohundro, Janice Taulbee, Denver Parks, Ann C. Hall, Will Bentley, Cindy Bentley and Robert Carmichael.

The next NARFE meeting will be 6 p.m. Tuesday, April 24, at Taste of China.

25 Years Ago

April 18, 1987

Doris Satterwhite will serve as president of the Old Pine Grove Homemakers Club following her election at the club's April meeting in the College Park Community Room. Also elected were Pearl Bennett, vice president, and Edna Patterson, secretary-treasurer. Margie Starkey, outgoing president, conducted the meeting and the devotional was given by Tish Jones. Roll call was answered with members naming their favorite spring flower.

Children at the Clark County Christian Schools at the First Church of God, on East Hickman Street, will

participate in "Bring-a-Bike Day" Friday to benefit St. Jude's Children's Research Hospital. Beginning at 8:30 a.m., the children will hear safety stories and receive special coloring sheets to expose them to bicycle safety habits.

A newly-organized citizens task force that will examine current trends and future needs throughout Winchester and Clark County will hold its inaugural meeting Tuesday night in the commission chambers of City Hall. Winchester 2000 is ready to spring into action. The task force's steering committee will meet with local officials Monday to set the agenda for Tuesday's meeting.

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Montanna Palmer, right, and Ben Little, above, demonstrate how to use a bow and arrow during a recent 4-H archery practice. Practice is held once a month through September.



On target

Get ready to go camping

Spring has sprung and before you know it, summer will be here. 4-H Camp is a great way to fill some of those lazy days of summer.

At 4-H Camp, young people learn independence, responsibility, have a lot of fun and make many new friends.

Clark County camps with Montgomery, Mason, Fleming and Robertson counties this year.

The camps are open to all Clark county youth between the ages of 9 and 13. Many exciting activities and adventures await campers.

Campers can spend their days participating in activities such as archery, riflery, outdoor cooking and nature courses. Low and high ropes courses, rocketry, canoeing, fishing, swimming, crafts and much, much more are available during the fun filled week.

Not only do many children find these activities fun, but they will likely learn new skills and develop a greater appreciation for the environment and wildlife.

4-H personnel want your child to have a camping experience that is not only memorable, but safe.

All camp staff and volunteers are trained and undergo background checks prior to camp.

Each camp location will have an on-site emergency medical technician at all times to take care of

campers' needs. Applications for Junior Camp Counselors — youth 14 to 18 years of age — are now being accepted and are due June 1.

Campers will attend North Central 4-H Camp located in Nicholas County.

The camp, has been accredited since 2005 by the American Camp Association.

It is a beautiful 350-acre camp with a lake, swimming pool and cabins to sleep in.

4-H members from Clark County will attend North Central 4-H Camp from July 16 – 20.

Registration forms are due by June 18, but spots will be filled on a first come, first serve basis.

A parent and camper orientation is scheduled for Wednesday, July 11.

The cost of camp is \$150, and scholarships are available.

Camp fee includes lodging, food, snacks, activities, transportation, T-shirt and drawstring bag.

Campers must be 9 years of age as of July 16.

For more information about 4-H Camp, contact the Clark County Cooperative Extension Service at 744-4682.

You can also stop by our offices located in the Industrial Park at 1400 Fortune Drive.

Information is also available online at the 4-H Camp website at <http://www2.ca.uky.edu/4-h/camp>.



Heather Cassell

It's garden time: Before you begin

Every aspiring gardener should follow seven steps to have a successful gardening season:

- Plan your garden on paper before you begin.
- Select a good gardening site that is in full sun for at least eight hours each day, relatively level, well-drained close to a water source and not shaded
- Prepare the soil properly and add fertilizer and lime according to soil test recommendations.
- Plan only as large a garden as you can easily maintain. Beginning gardeners often overplant, and then they fail because they cannot keep up with the tasks required. Weeds and pests must be controlled, water applied when needed and har-

vesting done on time. Vegetables harvested at their peak are tasty, but when left on the plants too long, the flavor is simply not there.

— Grow vegetables that will produce the maximum amount of food in the space available.

— Plant during the correct season for the crop. Choose varieties recommended for your area.

— Harvest vegetables at their proper stage of maturity. Store them promptly and properly if you do not use them immediately.

When choosing a site:

— Your garden site should provide a sunny exposure, adequate moisture and fertile soil. Because of your property's limitations, however, you may be

forced to select a less than ideal location.

— Avoid putting the garden in a low spot, at the bottom of a hill or at the foot of a slope bordered by a solid fence.

— If possible, choose an area with a southern or southeastern exposure which warms up faster in the spring and receives the maximum amount of sunlight throughout the growing season.

— Plant your vegetables away from buildings, trees, and other objects which would shade them.

— Your garden needs water, from rainfall or other sources. However, too much water can be just as damaging as too little.

— Finally, the closer the vegetable garden is to your back door, the more you will use it.



Roy Turley

Beef Cattle production down statewide

By Tonya S. Grace
Todd County Standard

Not as many younger guys are fooling with beef cows in Todd County.

"There's just so many opportunities with grain farming, and there's a big investment with cows," said Daysville farmer Tony Berry. "It takes a lot of land, and there's a slow return."

Berry predicted there will continue to be some beef cow farmers in the county in the future, but those numbers will not be on as large a scale as they once were, he said.

Instead farmers are considering the improved prices for grain and making the switch to grain crops wherever the ground is good to grow them, and they are selling their cows.

With declining cow numbers right now, the prices for beef are also better.

"Anybody that's got cattle now is reaping the rewards

of having cattle because they're higher than they've ever been and probably will stay high," Berry noted.

He said he believes those in the industry need to promote their product.

A member of both the Todd County and Kentucky cattlemen's associations, he pointed to threats from groups and individuals who don't support beef consumption.

"I think it's important we try to promote beef," Berry said. "It's a healthy product. It's got a whole lot of protein in it, lean beef does."

The Todd County man said he used to have around 500 to 600 feeder cattle through the winter, but his numbers have dropped now to 60 feeder calves and 80 mother cows.

At 65, Berry said he's getting ready to retire and didn't want to waste his family's money feeding high-priced corn to his cows.

His cattle are among a

total of 19,300 cattle in the county. Numbers from the National Agricultural Statistics Service noted that Todd County had 7,200 beef cows in 2011, 2,600 milk cows and 9,500 remaining cattle like calves and bulls.

Since 2007, the state has lost more than 200,000 beef cows, according to Kenny Burdine, an extension livestock and forage economist with the University of Kentucky's Department of Agricultural Economics.

Burdine said Kentucky had about 1.2 million beef cows in 2007, and U.S. Department of Agriculture estimates for 2012 put the current figure at just less than one million, he said.

"One of the things we can look at that comes out of that report is how many heifers, or young females, they're holding in anticipation of those heifers entering the cow herd," he said. "There was a decrease (in the numbers of) heifers

being held so it would suggest that the numbers won't increase for this year.

"It looks as if it will be awhile (before the) numbers will be back up," Burdine continued.

If heifers were held in 2012, he said, they wouldn't wean their first calves until 2014, meaning it would be some time before larger numbers of calves would be seen at the local auctions.

Additionally, declining cattle numbers coupled with strong beef exports reduce the amount of beef available to consumers in the United States, thus explaining the higher prices for beef.

Burdine noted that cattle producers had a good year in 2011, and it looks as if they will have a similarly good year in 2012, he said.

Given those circumstances, he believes Todd County will also do well this year.

Burdine said three factors have caused declines in na-

tional cattle numbers the past few years, drought, profitability and conversion to row crop production.

Ground used for hay and grazing for the cattle has been converted into row crops like beans and corn, and the same pattern has been seen across the state as well, especially in the local area, Burdine said.

He also cautioned that while beef prices are very strong, the production costs for the farmers are very high, making for a volatile market.

Berry said he's been farming ever since he got out of high school, not only beef cattle, but raising grains such as corn, soybeans and wheat.

He said he has especially enjoyed working with the cattle.

"I've grown up with them, and I like to fool with them," he said. "I've made good money through the years. It takes a lot of work."

Western Kentucky man named new state beekeeper

FRANKFORT — Agriculture Commissioner James Comer has appointed Sean Burgess of Grayson County to the position of Kentucky state apiarist, also known as the "state beekeeper."

Burgess, a native of Evanston, Ill., worked for the Walter T. Kelley Company of Clarkson before taking the state post.

In addition to teaching classes at the beekeeping supply company, Burgess helped beekeepers diagnose and resolve beekeeping issues and wrote articles about the industry while keeping as many as 70 hives himself.

"Sean has worked closely with Kentucky beekeepers and is very active in this unique community," Commissioner Comer said. "He has helped develop new beekeeping products and has the requisite experience to serve in this capacity."

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Child Abuse Prevention Month

Clark County Judge-Executive Henry Branham reads a proclamation designating April as Child Abuse Prevention Month in Winchester and Clark County during the annual Clark County Child Abuse Memorial Service Tuesday morning. With Branham are city and county officials and workers in the Clark County Family Resource and Youth Services Centers.

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CONGRESS

Romney picks up McConnell's endorsement

WASHINGTON (AP) — The two top Republicans in Congress explicitly endorsed Mitt Romney on Tuesday to be their party's presidential nominee, as party leaders continued consolidating around their all-but-inevitable candidate in hopes of quickly focusing attention on ousting President Barack Obama in this fall's election.

The public embraces offered by House Speaker John Boehner and Senate Minority Leader Mitch McConnell came the same day that several House conservatives expressed support for the former Massachusetts governor, though some seemed more enthusiastic than others.

"If you're not sure about wanting to support Mitt Romney, whether you're liberal, whether you're very conservative, you ought to be excited because he's been on your side at one time or another," Rep. Louie Gohmert, R-Texas, said during a forum that conservative lawmakers staged on Capitol Hill.

The statements of support by Boehner, R-Ohio, and McConnell, R-Ky., came a week after former Sen. Rick Santorum of Pennsylvania ended his bid for the GOP nomination, in effect ceding the field to Romney.



Sen. Mitch McConnell

Both leaders' remarks came in response to reporters' questions. Aides for each said there was no coordination between the two and that the timing simply reflected their return to Washington after Congress' two-week spring recess.

"I think Mitt Romney has a set of economic policies that can put Americans back to work and, frankly, contrast sharply with the failed economic policies of President Obama,"

Boehner told reporters. "And I will be proud to support Mitt Romney and do everything I can do help him win."

Hours later, it was McConnell's turn.

"Yeah, I support Gov. Romney for president of the United States, and he is going to be the nominee," he said. "And as you notice, the party is in the process of unifying behind him. And I think it's going to be an incredibly close, hard-fought race."

Boehner said he had not embraced Romney publicly before because as chairman of this August's Republican National Convention, he wanted to treat all the contenders fairly.

McConnell had previously

said Romney would likely be the nominee and that the party needed to rally behind the probable nominee. Tuesday was the first time he specifically said he supported Romney.

At Tuesday's gathering of around a dozen House conservatives — most of them were tea party-backed freshmen — there was a pause of several seconds when a reporter asked whether they were excited over Romney. Many voiced support for him, but some seemed driven more by pragmatism than passion.

"We're excited about the opportunity to defeat Barack Obama more than anything," said Rep. Jim Jordan, R-Ohio,

a veteran leader of House conservatives.

"I'm excited about our candidate," said freshman Rep. Mick Mulvaney, R-S.C., who had backed Texas Gov. Rick Perry. "Face it, we got the best candidate we could out of the process" to defeat Obama.

Another freshman, Rep. Raul Labrador of Idaho, said conservatives should be motivated by preventing Obama from winning a second term in which he could do things like appoint a liberal majority to the Supreme Court.

"It's high time for conservatives to start getting excited, to start working for the nominee," Labrador said.

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Opening lead — two of hearts.

Assume you're in three notrump and West leads his fourth-best heart, the deuce. You win East's queen with the king, and you see only seven sure winners — one spade, one heart, three diamonds and two clubs.

There are several ways to try to achieve one or two more tricks. The jack of diamonds might fall if you cash the A-K-Q, making your ten a trick; you might gain a trick by taking a spade finesse; and you might gain two tricks if the clubs are divided 3-2 and East has the queen.

No harm can come from first cashing the A-K of diamonds. When you do, both defenders follow suit, but the jack does not appear. You then try the clubs, leading the deuce to the ace and a low club back. When East shows out, your chances in that suit go down the drain.

Next you lead a low spade to the jack. When the finesse wins, you acquire your eighth trick. You could then lead a diamond toward your Q-10, but you'd be faced with a tough decision if East followed low. You wouldn't know whether to play the queen or the ten, and either play could sink you if you guessed wrong.

A much better idea is to cash dummy's ace of spades first. There are two great advantages to this play. One is that West's king might fall on the ace. The other is that if the king does not fall, you'll then know much more about West's hand.

In the actual case, West plays the ten of spades on the ace. This doesn't do your queen any good, but it does tell you that West — who is now known to have started with three spades, four hearts and four clubs — could not have had more than two diamonds originally.

Accordingly, you next lead a diamond from dummy and play the ten, supremely confident that the finesse will produce your ninth trick.

Tomorrow: An open book.
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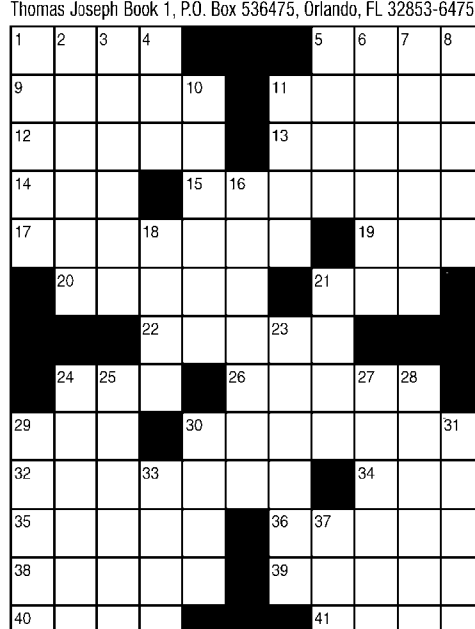
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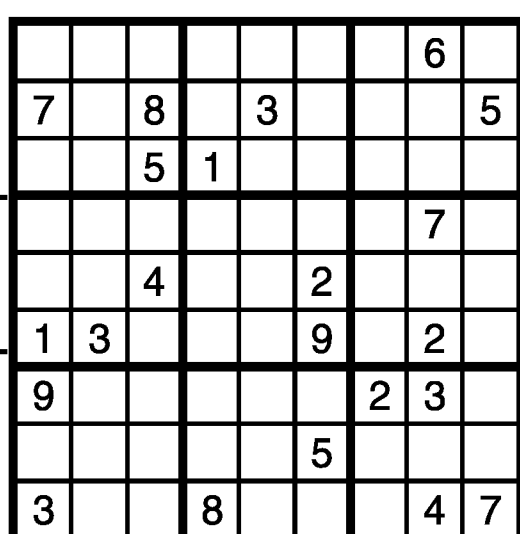
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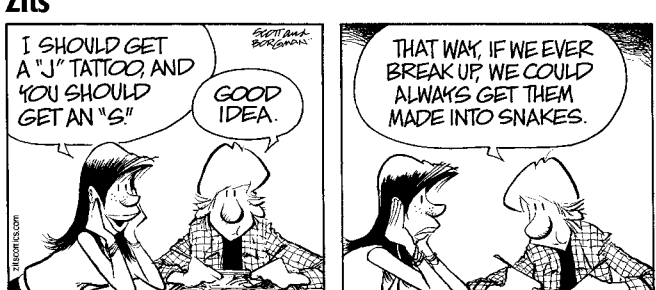
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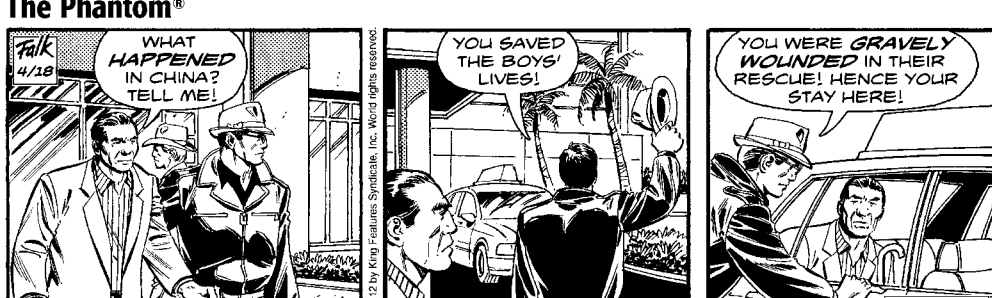
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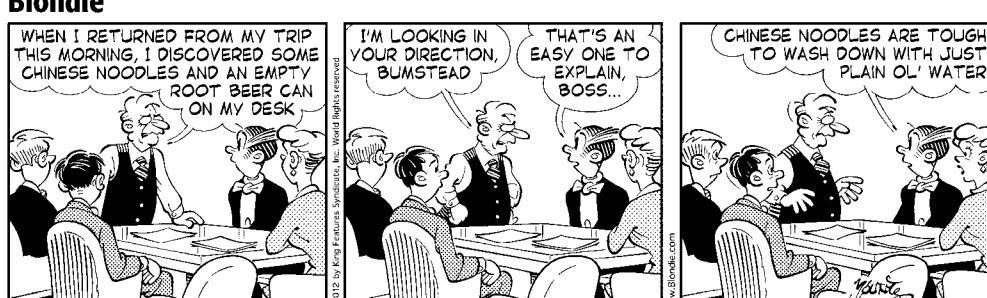
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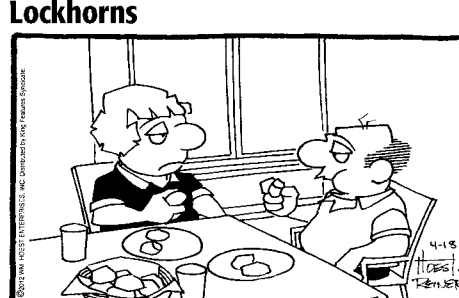
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HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Wednesday, April 18, 2012:
This year you are an emotional pendulum, swinging from moody to introverted and from emotional to dynamic. You act before thinking and are full of energy. Others might wonder who is the real you. Try both sides of your personality this year. If you are single, you attract impulsive and spontaneous people. As a result, your relationships will have an unpredictable tone. If you are attached, the two of you will become more carefree than you were before you met each other. You infuse your relationship with a wild excitement. Another ARIES might be very different, but he or she has a similar intensity. The Stars Show the Kind of Day You'll Have: 5-Dynamic; 4-Positive; 3-Average; 2-So-so; 1-Difficult
ARIES (March 21-April 19) ★★★★★ How you feel when you wake up and how you feel by noon could be very different. You sense that you are in a whirlwind of emotions, but one you can handle. Put 110 percent into whatever you do, and you will be pleased with the results. Tonight: Go with whimsy.
TAURUS (April 20-May 20) ★★★★★ Say less and listen more. You cannot help but gain understanding through a conversation. You suddenly might understand why someone decided to head in a particular direction. Schedule a much-needed checkup. Tonight: Get some extra z's.
GEMINI (May 21-June 20) ★★★★★ Your friendship means a lot to others. You also have a lot of responsibilities. Be realistic — you can spread yourself only so thin, even as energetic as you are. A meeting provokes many ideas and suggestions. Still, the unforeseen

will play into your plans. Remember, you like excitement. Tonight: Follow the fun.
CANCER (June 21-July 22) ★★★★★ You are on top of your game. Listen to news from a boss or older friend with a grain of salt. Everything could reverse itself before the end of the day. Stay direct when dealing with others; do not lose your focus. Tonight: You might decide to go your own way.
LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) ★★★★★ Detach, and you'll seem far more supportive to others, as there is less of a tendency to trigger a reaction. What you will notice is that what you would judge in someone else is present within yourself. Use this situation as an opportunity to get past your issues. Tonight: Wherever there is good music.
VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) ★★★★★ Togetherness comes from letting go of your view of what should be. Try to see life from a different perspective. Ask questions. You'll soon discover that there is no right or wrong, only what works for an individual. Tonight: Jump on an opportunity.
LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) ★★★★★ Defer to others for the moment; listen to their views. You are likely to have an animated debate. The unexpected runs riot in the best-laid plans, especially involving a partner or key associate. Hang in there. Tonight: Say "yes" to an offer.
SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) ★★★★★ Be aware of what is happening behind the scenes. Know what you want from a situation. Communication is vital, in that it will lead you and others

to find a new approach to handling a problematic issue. Trust yourself, and you will find answers. Tonight: All fired up.
SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) ★★★★★ Infuse whatever situation you are in with creativity and perspective. Others will jump on the bandwagon with you as they see the wisdom of your ways. A surprise could be heading down the pike, just for you. Tonight: Take a midweek break.
CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) ★★★★★ Sometimes you need to stop and center yourself. Part of the reason that this process seems necessary is that you are changing. Old choices reflect your former self. Stop and revamp your decisions; you want them to fit the new you. Tonight: Don't stray far from home.
AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) ★★★★★ Keep conversations moving. You can facilitate a friendship or agreement just by employing your innate skills. Your perceptions might be changing during this process. What you think is a problem might no longer be the case. Tonight: Join a friend for dinner.
PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) ★★★★★ Listen to news carefully. Be aware of what is being shared by someone whose financial wisdom you respect. A meeting could be provocative and draw a strong reaction. Use care, as you might be more unpredictable than usual. Tonight: Tap into self-discipline.
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Soccer
State tourney
to expand

Kentucky’s soccer postseason will have a different look beginning next season, thanks to changes approved by the KHSAA Board of Control at its regular meeting this week.

The state tournament will expand to eight teams for both boys’ and girls’, while the sectional and sub-sectional rounds will be replaced with a semi-state round.

The board previously approved a measure that creates a 16 region soccer alignment. Winners of each of the 16 regions will advance to a one game semi-state round, which is comprised of semi-state 1 (regions 1-4), semi-state 2 (regions 5-8), semi-state 3 (regions 9-12) and semi-state 4 (12-16).

The semi-state pairings will be determined on a six-year rotation.

Pairings for the eight teams reaching the state tournament will be determined by a blind draw.

“This is something our soccer coaches and advisory committee had explored for several years — finding a way to make this happen,” said KHSAA Assistant Commissioner and soccer contact Michael Barren. “We are pleased with the solution the board has approved and we will give it a chance to allow soccer to grow.”

Basketball
Running clock
installed

In accordance with NFHS playing rules basketball contests at all levels in grades 9-12 will feature a running clock beginning next season once the margin reaches 35 points in the second half. NFHS rules give states flexibility with regard to mercy rules and this change is similar to provisions in football, baseball and softball that terminate contests when the winning team, for all practical purposes, has been determined.

At the point the margin reaches 35, the clock will stop only for charged time outs, an injury or disqualification, and free throw attempts.

Once the official signals for the timer to stop the clock, it will start on the last missed free throw or once the ball is touched inbound.

Football
Dates set
for state finals

The board also approved the dates for each of the six championship contests in the Russell Athletic/KHSAA Commonwealth Gridiron Bowl.

On Friday, Nov. 30, the championships for Classes 1A, 3A and 4A will take place.

Classes 2A, 5A and 6A will determine its champions on Saturday, December 1.

All games will take place at Houchens-L.T. Smith Stadium on the campus of Western Kentucky University in Bowling Green.

— KHSAA

UK Basketball



The Associated Press

Kentucky’s Anthony Davis, Doron Lamb, Terrence Jones, coach John Calipari, Michael Kidd-Gilchrist and Marquis Teague make the announcement that the players will enter the NBA Draft Tuesday at the Joe Craft Center in Lexington.

Team unity

Cats opt
for draft
as a unit



Keith Taylor

Kentucky will be starting over and re-loading next season. Although this year’s starting cast, which won the school’s eighth national championship, featured three freshman and two sophomores, not to mention a senior sixth-man, was considered young, the Wildcats will be younger next season,

much younger. The incoming freshman class, already ranked No. 1 by most recruiting analysts across the nation, and mostly bench holdovers from this year’s team, will have big shoes to fill after the team’s five starters — Anthony Davis, Doron Lamb, Terrence Jones, Michael Kidd-Gilchrist and Marquis Teague

— declared for the NBA Draft at the Joe Craft Center Tuesday night. Senior Darius Miller is automatically eligible for the draft and didn’t attend.

It wasn’t a surprise considering all five players are projected first-round draft picks, while Miller likely will be a second-round selection. It

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Reds ‘good enough to lose’

ST. LOUIS (AP) — Cincinnati starter Johnny Cueto won on Opening Day and that was time a Reds starting pitcher earned a victory.

Cueto pitched seven innings, allowing seven hits and a run against the Cardinals, but it wasn’t enough for Cincinnati, which lost 2-1 in 10 innings to St. Louis on Tuesday.

The Reds fell to 4-7, when Matt Carpenter hit a bases-loaded sacrifice fly to drive in the winning run.

“At this time, right now, we’re not getting a lot of help from the offense,” said Cueto through an

interpreter. “That’s the way it is. It’s going to be a time they are going to be ready and they are going to start to hit.”

The Reds had their chances against St. Louis. “We’re playing just good enough to lose right now,” Cincinnati manager Dusty Baker said. “We just have to execute better. You practice and practice and preach and talk about things, it’s just not happening.”

Cincy used two errors and a single for an unearned run to tie the game at 1-1 in the eighth.

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Next game:
Reds
at Cards
When: Today
Time: 8:15 p.m.
Radio/TV:
700 WLW AM;
FOXSN

Prep Roundup

Cards
edge
Tribe

By Keith Taylor
The Winchester Sun

The George Rogers Clark baseball team scored three runs in the first two innings and held on for an 8-6 victory over Montgomery County Tuesday afternoon in Mount Sterling.

Clark, which has won six straight after opening the season with seven losses, held off a late surge by the Indians, who scored three times in the third inning to tie the score at 3-3. The Cards reclaimed the lead for good with three runs in the fifth inning to defeat the Indians, who scored three times in their last at-bat in the seventh frame.

Clark starter Derek McKenzie threw the first six innings and gave up eight hits and walked three.

Logan McQuerry relieved McKenzie in the final inning and fanned one batter.

Taylor Howard paced Clark’s attack with a pair of singles and two RBIs. Scotty Turner had a single and drove in two runs, while McQuerry, Pokey Harris, Hunter Osborne and McKenzie added one hit apiece.

Montgomery County pitcher Ben Gulley went the distance for the Indians and scattered seven hits, while striking out seven batters and issuing a pair of walks. Blake Thomas paced Montgomery County’s offense with three hits.

Clark is now 1-1 in the 40th District and is scheduled to take on 10th Region power Harrison County at 5:15 p.m. Thursday in Cynthiana.

Softball

George Rogers Clark scored a pair of runs in the first inning to set the tone in a 5-3 victory at Bourbon County Tuesday afternoon.

Clark (9-11) added three more scores in the fifth to hold off the Lady Colonels, who scored three runs in the bottom of the inning. Bourbon managed five hits off Clark pitcher Whitney Conkwright.

Conkwright went the distance for Clark and scattered five hits and gave up all three runs, all of which were earned. Conkwright struck out six batters and issued a pair of walks.

Skye Skinner led Clark’s offense with a pair of singles and drove in two runs. Rebecca Strange added a pair

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Division champions



Photo submitted

Scoreboard

MLB Standings

National League /The Associated Press

East Division				
	W	L	Pct	GB
Washington	9	3	.750	—
New York	7	4	.636	1 ½
Atlanta	6	5	.545	2 ½
Miami	5	6	.455	3 ½
Philadelphia	5	6	.455	3 ½

Central Division				
	W	L	Pct	GB
St. Louis	8	3	.727	—
Milwaukee	5	6	.455	3
Cincinnati	4	7	.364	4
Houston	4	7	.364	4
Pittsburgh	4	7	.364	4
Chicago	3	8	.273	5

West Division				
	W	L	Pct	GB
Los Angeles	9	2	.818	—
Arizona	7	4	.636	2
Colorado	5	6	.455	4
San Francisco	5	6	.455	4
San Diego	3	9	.250	6 ½

Tuesday's Games				
Washington 1, Houston 0				
Miami 5, Chicago Cubs 2				
Atlanta 9, N.Y. Mets 3				
Milwaukee 5, L.A. Dodgers 4				
St. Louis 2, Cincinnati 1, 10 innings				
Colorado 5, San Diego 3				
Pittsburgh 5, Arizona 4				
San Francisco 4, Philadelphia 2				
Wednesday's Games				
N.Y. Mets (Dickey 2-0) at Atlanta (Jurjens 0-1), 12:10 p.m.				
Pittsburgh (Ja.McDonald 0-1) at Arizona (D.Hudson 1-0), 3:40 p.m.				
Houston (Harrell 1-0) at Washington (Zimmermann 0-1), 7:05 p.m.				
Chicago Cubs (Garza 1-0) at Miami (Buehrle 0-2), 7:10 p.m.				
L.A. Dodgers (Capuano 1-0) at Milwaukee (Greinke 1-1), 8:10 p.m.				
Cincinnati (Latos 0-1) at St. Louis (J.Garcia 1-0), 8:15 p.m.				
San Diego (Richard 1-0) at Colorado (Nicasio 0-0), 8:40 p.m.				
Philadelphia (Cl.Lee 0-1) at San Francisco (M.Cain 1-0), 10:15 p.m.				

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East Division				
	W	L	Pct	GB
Baltimore	7	4	.636	—
Toronto	6	4	.600	½
New York	6	5	.545	1
Tampa Bay	5	6	.455	2
Boston	4	7	.364	3

Central Division				
	W	L	Pct	GB
Detroit	8	3	.727	—
Cleveland	5	4	.556	2
Chicago	5	5	.500	2 ½
Kansas City	3	8	.273	5
Minnesota	3	8	.273	5

West Division				
	W	L	Pct	GB
Texas	9	2	.818	—
Seattle	6	6	.500	3 ½
Oakland	5	7	.417	4 ½
Los Angeles	4	7	.364	5

Tuesday's Games				
N.Y. Yankees 8, Minnesota 3				
Toronto 7, Tampa Bay 3				
Texas 18, Boston 3				
Baltimore 3, Chicago White Sox 2				
Detroit 3, Kansas City 1				
Oakland 5, L.A. Angels 3				
Cleveland 9, Seattle 8				
Wednesday's Games				
Minnesota (Marquis 0-0) at N.Y. Yankees (Kuroda 1-1), 7:05 p.m.				
Tampa Bay (Price 1-1) at Toronto (Morrow 0-0), 7:07 p.m.				
Texas (D.Holland 1-0) at Boston (Beckett 1-1), 7:10 p.m.				
Baltimore (Tom.Hunter 1-0) at Chicago White Sox (Peavy 1-0), 8:10 p.m.				
Detroit (Scherzer 0-1) at Kansas City (J.Sanchez 1-0), 8:10 p.m.				
Oakland (Colton 2-1) at L.A. Angels (E.Santana 0-2), 10:05 p.m.				
Cleveland (D.Lowe 2-0) at Seattle (Vargas 1-1), 10:10 p.m.				

Minor League

South Atlantic League Standings				
Northern Division				
	W	L	Pct.	GB
Delmarva (Orioles)	8	5	.615	—

On the Air

Today

GOLF

6:30 p.m.

TGC — LPGA, LOTTE Championship

MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL

7 p.m.

ESPN2 — Texas at Boston

WGN — Chicago Cubs at Miami

NBA BASKETBALL

8 p.m.

ESPN — Orlando at Boston

10:30 p.m.

ESPN — L.A. Lakers at Golden State

NHL PLAYOFFS

7:30 p.m.

CNBC — N.Y. Rangers at Ottawa

NBCSN — Pittsburgh at Philadelphia

10 p.m.

NBCSN — Vancouver at Los Angeles

Local Sports

Today

PREP TENNIS

4:45 p.m.

George Rogers Clark at Bourbon County

MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL

8:15 p.m.

Reds at Cardinals

MINOR LEAGUE BASEBALL

10:05 a.m.

Pittsburgh 5, Arizona 4

San Francisco 4, Philadelphia 2

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L.A. Dodgers (Capuano 1-0) at Milwaukee (Greinke 1-1), 8:10 p.m.

Cincinnati (Latos 0-1) at St. Louis (J.Garcia 1-0), 8:15 p.m.

San Diego (Richard 1-0) at Colorado (Nicasio 0-0), 8:40 p.m.

Philadelphia (Cl.Lee 0-1) at San Francisco (M.Cain 1-0), 10:15 p.m.

NBA Standings

EASTERN CONFERENCE

Atlantic Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
x-Boston	36	26	.581	—
New York	32	29	.525	3 ½
Philadelphia	31	30	.508	4 ½
New Jersey	22	40	.355	14
Toronto	22	40	.355	14

Central Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
y-Miami	43	17	.717	—
x-Atlanta	36	25	.590	7 ½
x-Orlando	36	25	.590	7 ½
Washington	15	46	.246	28 ½
Charlotte	7	53	.117	36

Southwest Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
y-Miami	43	17	.717	—
x-Atlanta	36	25	.590	7 ½
x-Orlando	36	25	.590	7 ½
Washington	15	46	.246	28 ½
Charlotte	7	53	.117	36

Central Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
y-Chicago	46	15	.754	—

x-Indiana	40	22	.645	6 ½
Milwaukee	29	31	.483	16 ½
Detroit	23	38	.377	23
Cleveland	20	40	.333	25 ½

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Southwest Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
y-San Antonio	44	16	.733	—
Memphis	36	25	.590	8 ½
Dallas	34	28	.548	11
Houston	32	29	.525	12 ½
New Orleans	19	42	.311	25 ½

Northwest Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
y-Oklahoma City	44	17	.721	—
Denver	34	27	.557	10
Utah	32	30	.516	12 ½
Portland	28	34	.452	16 ½
Minnesota	25	38	.397	20

Pacific Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
x-L.A. Lakers	39	23	.629	—
x-L.A. Clippers	38	23	.623	½
Phoenix	32	29	.525	6 ½
Golden State	22	38	.367	16
Sacramento	20	41	.328	18 ½

x-clinched playoff spot, y-clinched division

Tuesday's Games

Indiana 102, Philadelphia 97

Detroit 116, Cleveland 77

Memphis 91, Minnesota 84

New York 118, Boston 110

San Antonio 112, L.A. Lakers 91

Wednesday's Games

Philadelphia at Cleveland, 7 p.m.

Chicago at Charlotte, 7 p.m.

Milwaukee at Washington, 7 p.m.

Detroit at Atlanta, 7:30 p.m.

Toronto at Miami, 7:30 p.m.

New York at New Jersey, 7:30 p.m.

New Orleans at Memphis, 8 p.m.

Orlando at Boston, 8 p.m.

Houston at Dallas, 8:30 p.m.

L.A. Clippers at Denver, 9 p.m.

San Antonio at Sacramento, 10 p.m.

Utah at Portland, 10 p.m.

Oklahoma City at Phoenix, 10 p.m.

L.A. Lakers at Golden State, 10:30 p.m.

Golf

PGA Schedule and results

By The Associated Press

Jan. 6-9 — Hyundai Tournament of Champions (Steve Stricker)

Jan. 12-15 — Sony Open (Johnson Wagner)

Jan. 19-22 — Humana Challenge (Mark Wilson)

Jan. 22-29 — Farmers Insurance Open (Brant Snedeker)

Feb. 2-5 — Waste Management Phoenix Open (Kyle Stanley)

Feb. 9-12 — AT&T Pebble Beach National Pro-Am (Phil Mickelson)

Feb. 16-19 — Northern Trust Open (Bill Haas)

Feb. 22-26 — WGC-Accenture Match Play Championship (Hunter Mahan)

Feb. 23-26 — Mayakoba Golf Classic (John Huh)

March 1-4 — Honda Classic (Rory McIlroy)

March 8-11 — WGC-Cadillac Championship (Justin Rose)

March 8-11 — Puerto Rico Open (George McNeill)

March 15-18 — Transitions Championship (Luke Donald)

March 22-25 — Arnold Palmer Invitational (Tiger Woods)

March 29-April 1 — Shell Houston Open (Hunter Mahan)

April 5-8 — Masters Tournament (Bubba Watson)

April 12-15 — RBC Heritage (Carl Pettersson)

April 19-22 — Valero Texas Open,TPC San Antonio (AT&T Oaks Course), San Antonio

April 26-29 — Zurich Classic,TPC Louisiana,Avondale, La.

May 3-6 — Wells Fargo Championship, Quail Hollow Club, Charlotte, N.C.

May 10-13 — The Players Championship,TPC Sawgrass (Players Stadium Course), Ponte Vedra Beach, Fla.

May 17-20 — HP Byron Nelson Championship,TPC Four Seasons Resort, Las Colinas, Texas

May 24-27 — Crowne Plaza Invitational at Colonial, Colonial CC, Fort Worth, Texas

May 31-June 3 — Memorial Tournament, Muirfield Village GC, Dublin, Ohio

June 7-10 — FedEx St. Jude Classic,TPC Southwind, Memphis, Tenn.

June 14-17 — U.S. Open,The Olympic Club (Lake Course), San Francisco

June 21-24 — Travelers Championship,TPC River Highlands, Hartford, Conn.

June 28-July 1 — AT&T National, Congressional CC (Blue Course), Bethesda, Md.

July 5-8 — The Greenbrier Classic,The Greenbrier (The Old White TPC),White Sulphur Springs,W.Va.

July 12-15 — John Deere Classic,TPC Deere Run,Silvis, Ill.

July 19-22 — British Open, Royal Lytham & St. Annes, Lytham, England

Keeping pace



Photo submitted

George Rogers Clark distance runner Grayson Brookshire competes in the 3200-meter run at the Lake Cumberland Classic last weekend in Somerset. The Cardinals are scheduled to appear in the Ashland Invitational Saturday.

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making a decision about their future.” Still, Calipari, who “didn’t want to get emotional” said parting ways won’t be easy and added that announcing the players’ plans was indeed a “difficult” task.

“Anybody that tells you that in one or two years that you can’t create a relationship or you’re not going to have a bond, they’re crazy,” he said. When it came time to make their intentions public, all five players wanted to go out together as a sign of unity. They chose to take the podium as a team instead of individuals. Calipari was taken aback when they requested one press conference as opposed to individual sessions to announce their future intentions.

“This was introduced as an idea to me from this team,” Calipari said. “They came to me and said, ‘We want to do this together.’ I was surprised. I didn’t even know they wanted to do it together. We tell them all the time, be the teammate you want to play with. This team has done that, by doing what they have done today. They have taught us a lot.”

On a serious note, Calipari praised his team’s successful 38-2 campaign and his commitment to putting the players first, even if it means losing his entire starting cast and depending on a reloaded roster to defend the national championship next year.

“During the season, it’s about our team,” Calipari said. “You saw in this year’s team, they were about each other. It’s about how we play together and we share. When the season is over, it’s about moments like this. It’s about young people getting with their families, getting information and



The Associated Press

Anthony Davis, left, speaks while Kentucky basketball coach John Calipari listens Tuesday night in Lexington. Freshmen Davis, Michael Kidd-Gilchrist and Marquis Teague, and sophomores Terrence Jones and Doron Lamb declared for the NBA draft in a nationally-televised news conference.